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(*b*) whether there is any provision to increase the above discharge through the existing sluices;

(*c*) whether there is any possibility of providing additional sluices for the High-level Canal; and

(*d*) if so, what will be the approximate cost?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (*a*) One sluice with 10 vents of 6 feet by 12 feet with their sills at plus 1,585·00. It is designed to discharge 4,000 cusecs with a head of 1 foot. With a greater head, the discharge will be more.

" (*b*) There is no need. When the reservoir level is above plus 1,600·00 the sluices can, if required, pass more than 8,000 cusecs.

" (*c*) No. The present sluices are sufficiently large to discharge any reasonable quantity that is likely to be required for the High-level Canal Scheme and to utilize the surplus water that Madras may get in the final allocation.

" (*d*) This does not arise in view of the answer to clause (*c*)."

King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam.

* 1078 *Q.*—SRI M. VEERABHADRAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the amount allotted in the year 1952–53 to the King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam, for supplying diet to the patients;

(*b*) whether the amount so allotted was spent completely for that purpose;

(*c*) if not, whether there is any amount left unspent; and

(*d*) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Rs. 2,75,000.

" (*b*) Yes; an additional amount of Rs. 13,626–6–4 over and above the allotment made for 1952–53 was also spent.

" (*c*) & (*d*) Does not arise."

Subsidy for wells for irrigation.

* 1079 *Q.*—SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal now pending with the Government for granting subsidies for well sinking and for improvement of old wells for purposes of irrigation; and

(*b*) if so, when it is likely to be granted to the ryots?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) There is no proposal.

" (*b*) Does not arise."